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In re: Collins & Collins
Appl. No.: 10/010,794
Filed: November 13, 2001
For: LATERALLY ADJUSTABLE LOW PROFILE
TRENCH DIGGING MACHINE

Confirmation No.: 5851
Group Art Unit: 3671
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- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR §1.27.
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Respectfully submitted,



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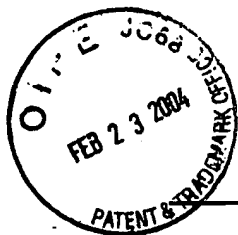
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Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

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Status of Application: Non-Final Rejection

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Tentative Participants:

- (1) Examiner A. Torres (2) Examiner Will
(3) Kevin Ransom

Proposed Date and Time of Interview: To be determined by Examiner

Type of Interview Requested:

- (1) ☒ Telephonic (2) ☐ Personal (3) ☐ Video Conference

Exhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: ☒ YES ☐ NO

If yes, provide brief description: Enclosed Amendment

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Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) <u>Rejections</u>	<u>1, 2, 4-6, and 21</u>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:

Applicant's counsel wishes to discuss the claims in light of the cited combination of references and the enclosed Amendment.

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on _____.

NOTE:

This form should be completed by applicant and submitted to the examiner in advance of the interview (see MPEP § 713.01).

This application will not be delayed from issue because of applicant's failure to submit a written record of this interview. Therefore, applicant is advised to file a statement of the substance of this interview (37 CFR 1.133(b)) as soon as possible.


(Applicant's Representative Signature)

(Examiner/SPE Signature)